**TABLE 1: Species for Tree and Shrub Plantings** 

**Trees for Dry-Open Sites** 

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Betula populifolia	Gray Birch	30'
Juniperis virginiana	Eastern Red Cedar	10-75'
Pinus resinosa	Red Pine	70'
Pin us rigida	Pitch Pine	50'
Pinus stro bus	White Pine	80'
Quercus rubra	Red Oak	70'
Quercus coccinea	Scarlet Oak	70'
Quercus velutina	Black Oak	70'

**Shrubs for Dry-Open Sites** 

Scientific Name	'Common Name	Mature Height
Amelanchier canadensis	Shadbush	15'
Ceanothus americanus	New Jersey Tea	4'
Comptonia peregrina	Sweetfern	4'
Cornus racemosa	Gray Dogwood	6-10'
Gaylussacia baccata	Black Huckleberry	1'
Hypericum prolificum	Shrubby St. Johnswort	4'
Juniperus communis	Pasture Juniper	2'
Myrica pensylvanica	Bayberry	6'
Prunus maritima	Beach plum	6'
Rhus aromatica	Fragrant Sumac	3'
Rhus copallina	Shining Sumac	4-10'
Rhus glabra	Smooth Sumac	9-15'
Rosa carolina	Pasture Rose	3'
Rosa virginiana	Virginia Rose	3'
Spirea tomentosa	Steeplebush	3-4'
Viburnum dentatum/recognitum	Arrowwood	5-8'
Viburnum lentago	Nannyberry	15'

**Shrubs For Dry-Shady Sites** 

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Hamamelis wrginiana	Witch Hazel	15'
Kalmia latifolia	Mountain Laurel	3-8'
Rhododendron nudiflorum	Pinxterbloom Azalea	4-6'
Vaccinium angustifolium	Lowbush Blueberry	2'
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood	5-8'

#### **Trees For Moist Sites**

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	60'
Betula nigra	River Birch	
Chamaecyparis thyoides	Atlantic White Cedar	
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green Ash	60'
Picea mariana	Black Spruce	40'
Picea glauca	White Spruce	
Picea rubens	Red Spruce	70'

### Trees for Moist Sites, cont.

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Populus deltoides	Eastern Cottonwood	80-100'
Populus tremuloides	Quaking Aspen	30-60'
Salix nigra	Black Willow	40'
Tilia americana	Basswood	60-80'

**Shrubs For Moist-Open Sites** 

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Amelanchier canadensis	Shadbush	15'
Aronia arbutifolia/melanocarpa	Chokeberry	8-12'
Clethra alnifolia	Sweet Pepper Bush	3-10'
Cornus amomum	Silky Dogwood	15'
Cornus sericea	Red Osier Dogwood	7-10'
Corn us racemosa	Gray Dogwood	6-10'
Corylus americana	American Hazelnut	10'
Corylus corn uta	Beaked Hazelnut	10'
Ilex glabra	Inkberry	2-6'
Ilex verticillata	Winterberry	10'
Kalmia angustzfolia	Sheep laurel	3'
Leucothoe fintanesiana	Drooping Leucothoe	3-7'
Lindero benzoin	Spicebush	10'
Sambucus canadensis	Elderberry	6'
Spirea latifolia	Meadowsweet	5'
Salix discolor	Pussy Willow	10'
Rhododenron maximum	Rosebay	12-15'
Rhododendron viscosum	Swamp Azalea	8'
Rubus odoratus	Pink Flowering Raspberry	5'
Viburnum cassinoides	Wild Raisin	6'
Vaccinium corymbosum	Highbush Blueberry	10'
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowood	5-8'
Viburnum trilobum	Highbush Cranberry	7'

**Shrubs For Moist-Shady Sites** 

Scientific Name	Common Name	Mature Height
Corylius americana	American Hazelnut	6'
Cornus amomum	Silky Dogwood	15'
Hamamelis virginiana	Witch-hazel	15'
Kalmia latifolia	Mountain laurel	3-8'
Leucothoe fontanesiana	Drooping leucothoe	6'
Leucothoe racemosa	Swamp doghobble	8'
Lindera benzoin	Spicebush	10'
Lonicera villosa	Mt. Fly Honeysuckle	4'
Rhododendron arborescens	Sweet Azalea	9'
Rhododendron carolinianum	Carolina Rhododenron	6'
Rhododendron maximum	Rosebay Rhododendron	12-15'
Rubus odoratus	Pink Flowering Raspberry	5'
Vaccinium cotymbosum	Highbush Blueberry	6-8'
Viburnum acerifolium	Maple-leaved Viburnum	6-8'
Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood	5-8'
Viburnum trilobum	Highbush Cranberry	6-10'

Source: NRCS, MA January 2002

## TABLE 2. Species for Grass and Legume Plantings

Plant Name Common (latin)	Plant Characteristics	Uses and Establishment Notes
American Beachgrass (Ammophila breviligulata)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts, (in fact, the 'Cape' variety available from nurseries, is the native strain)</li> <li>Extensively rhizomatous in sandy soils and readily grows up through new deposition layers (dunes)</li> <li>3 ft. mature height</li> <li>Adapted to coastal dunes Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tolerant of droughty sands, full sun Intolerant of foot and vehicular traffic</li> <li>Established by planting dormant stems(culms), 2-3 per planting unit on 12"-18" centers</li> <li>Useful as initial vegetative cover on dunes and other sandy sites, to be later interplanted with native woody shrubs</li> </ul>
Bentgrass, Creeping Marsh (Agrostis stolonifera Var. palustris)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts Rhizomotous perennial</li> <li>Sod forming FACW</li> <li>Adapted to wet meadows,</li> <li>shores and coastal marshes</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tolerant of wet soils and flooding Seed in mixes at 11b./acre rate (4.5 million seeds/pound)</li> <li>Suitable for waterways and ditch or pond banks</li> </ul>
Bluestem, Big (Andropogon gerardii) Bluestem, Little (Schizachiyrium scoparium)	<ul> <li>Both Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial bunchgrasses, with dense root systems</li> <li>Big (7 ft. height), Little (3 ft. height)</li> <li>Big (FAC);</li> <li>Little (FACU)</li> <li>Adapted to hot, dry, sunny sites in sandy, loamy or silt soils</li> <li>Both Warm season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tolerates medium to low fertility soil with pH 5.0-7.5</li> <li>Seed at 2 to 5 lbs. per acre in a mix and 5 to 10 lbs. per acre when seeded alone Useful for stabilizing sand and gravel pits, road sides and mine spoil</li> <li>Slow to germinate the first year</li> <li>Seed in early spring with a native grass drill. Roll or cultipack</li> </ul>

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# Grass and Legume Plantings cont'd

<b>Plant Name</b> Common (latin)	Plant Characteristics	Uses and Established Notes
Bromegrass, Fringed	Native to Massachusetts	Tolerant of full sun or partial shade
(Bromus ciliatus)	Rhizomotous perennial	Good species for moist soils
	1- 5 ft. mature height, FACW	Suitable for waterways and pond banks
Dragon Cadas	Cool Season     Native to Massachusetts	Adapted to dry open sites with a variety
Broom-Sedge (Andropogon	Perennial bunchgrass	<ul><li>Adapted to dry, open sites with a variety</li><li>of soil types</li></ul>
virginicus)	• 2—5 ft. mature height	• Suited for general erosion control where an eastern prairie
	• FACW	Prairie appearance is desired
	Warm Season	France appearance is desired
Bushclover, Hairy	Native to Massachusetts	Open, sandy, sterile sites
(Lespedeza hirta)	Erect perennial	Use in mixes with native, warm season
	Warm Season	grasses.
Bushclover, Round	Native to Massachusetts	Roadsides, sandy, dry sites
Head	Erect perennial	Useful in mixes with native, warm
(Lespedeza capitata)	Warm Season	season grasses
Cordgrass, Freshwater	Native to Massachusetts	Tolerant of saltwater flooding
(Spartina pectinata)	• OBL	Suited to wet soil in eastern prairie
	• 2—7 ft. mature height	applications
	Adapted to upland edge of salt  marshes where soil is relatively dry	Suitable for stream bank or wetland stabilization
	Warm Season, July — Sept.	•
Cordgrass, Saltmeadow	Native to Massachusetts	Tolerant of daily saltwater flooding, wet
(Spartina patens)	Small perennial grass	soils, and full sun;
	• Less than 2 1/2 ft.	Grows on high marsh sites
	Thin stems bend easily and form big cowlicks in the marsh	
	Warm Season, late June — Oct.	
Cordgrass, Smooth (Spartina alterniflora)	Native to Massachusetts     Tall perennial grass	Tolerant of constant saltwater flooding, wet soils, and full sun;
	• Up to 8 ft.	Grows on low marsh sites, along outer
	• Spreads by rhizomes and builds strong underground network	edge of salt marsh, and along the edge of creeks and ditches;
	Warm Season	• On protected beaches and mud flats, acts as colonizer, initiating marsh formation.
		Dense stands trap silt and cause elevation of soil to rise.

# Grass and Legume Plantings cont'd

Plant Name Common (latin)	Plant Characteristics	Uses and Established Notes
Cut Grass, Rice (Leersia oryzoides)	Native to Massachusetts     OBL     2-5 ft mature height     Cool Season	Tolerant of saturated soils, full sun and flooding Suited for waterways, pond/ditch/stream bank stabilization
Deertongue Grass	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial, spreads slowly by seed and rhizomes</li> </ul>	Best grass for acid soil sites     Tolerant of low fertility sites
(Leersia olyzoides)	<ul> <li>Up to 3 ft. mature height</li> <li>FAC+</li> <li>Adaptation: dry to moist sites with full sun to partial shade</li> <li>Warm Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use for cover of erodible sandy areas such as road/ditch banks and sand and gravel borrows</li> <li>Seed in mixes at rate of 5-10 lbs/ac</li> <li>Seed with other native warm season species or with perennial ryegrass</li> </ul>
Dropseed, Poverty (Sporobolus vaginiflorus)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Annual bunchgrass</li> <li>1—2 ft. mature height</li> <li>UPL</li> <li>Shallow root system</li> <li>Warm Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tolerant of dry sites with full sun and low fertility</li> <li>Suitable as a native nurse crop for warm season mixes</li> <li>Adapted to dry roadside sites</li> </ul>
Fescue, Red Creeping Red Fescue	<ul><li>Native to Massachusetts</li><li>Short perennial with round, wiry</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Valuable for its shade tolerance</li> <li>Suited for close growing cover in mixes; seed</li> <li>at rate of 10-40 lbs. per acre depending on use</li> </ul>
(Festuca rubra var rubra)  Chewings Red Fescue (Festuca rubra commutata)	<ul> <li>basal leaves</li> <li>Creeping Red Fescue tens to</li> <li>grow in tufts on low fertility sites, but spreads by rhizomes in more fertile soils</li> <li>Chewings in a true bunch type</li> <li>FACU</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adapted to a wide variety of soil types; tolerant of dry and very moist sites</li> <li>Suited for low maintenance areas, general purpose turf or in mixes for wood roads, landings, road banks</li> </ul>
	Cool Season	Adapted to full or partial shade
Groundnut (Apios americana)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Climbing vine</li> <li>3-10 ft. in length</li> <li>From rhizome</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Moist soils</li><li>Use in mixes for pond and stream banks</li></ul>
Indiangrass	Native to Massachusetts	Grows best in fertile loam
(Sorghastrum nutans)	<ul> <li>Perennial, Bunchgrass</li> <li>3 — 5 ft. mature height</li> <li>Warm Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Has a light and fluffy seed.</li> <li>Use a native grass drill designed for chaffy seed.</li> <li>Seed at 2-5 lbs. per acre in a mix or 5-10 lbs/ac alone</li> </ul>

### Native Plant List

# Grass and Legume Plantings cont'd

Plant Name Common (latin)	Plant Characteristics	Uses and Establishment Notes
Lovegrass, Tumble (Eragrostis spectabilis)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial, bunchgrass.</li> <li>12—18 inches in height</li> <li>UPL</li> <li>Warm Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Suited to dry sites with full sun</li> <li>Purplish-pink appearance in flower (late summer)</li> <li>Low maintenance</li> </ul>
Manna Grass, Canada (Glyceria canadensis)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial</li> <li>2—3 ft. height</li> <li>OBL</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Suited to very wet sites</li> <li>Good for initial wetland cover</li> </ul>
Manna Grass, Fowl (Glyceria striata) _	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial</li> <li>2—3 ft. height</li> <li>OBL</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	Suited to very wet sites     Low maintenance
Pea, Beach	Native to Coastal Mass.	Adapted to beach/dune sites     Seeded in moist inter dune gross
(Lathyrus japonicus)  Reed Grass, Blue Joint (Calamagrostis canadensis)	<ul> <li>Perennial with rhizomes</li> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial</li> <li>4 -5 ft height</li> <li>Spreads by rhizomes</li> <li>FACW+</li> <li>Cool Season,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Seeded in moist, inter-dune areas</li> <li>Adapted to wet sites with full sun</li> <li>Tolerates flooded conditions</li> <li>Suited for waterways, ditches, pond/stream banks</li> </ul>
Rush, Path (Juncus tennis)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>perennial</li> <li>12 in. height</li> <li>FAC-</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adapted to full or partial sun</li> <li>Tolerant of flooding, wet soils and compacted soils</li> <li>Suited for cover of access road surfaces</li> </ul>
Switchgrass (Panicum virgatum)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Warm Season, bunchgrass</li> <li>3 -5 ft height</li> <li>FAC</li> <li>Provides excellent nesting and</li> <li>fall and winter wildlife cover</li> <li>Expect 1-2 years for establishment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adapted to a wide range of sites:</li> <li>Dry, Moist, Wet, Full Sun or Partial</li> <li>Sun</li> <li>Tolerant of salt</li> <li>Seed at 5 - 10 lbs. PLS per acre in mix or 15 lbs. PLS per acre alone</li> <li>Suited to pH of 4.5-7.5</li> </ul>

Plant Name Common (latin)	Plant Characteristics	Uses and Establishment Notes
Trefoil, Showy-Tick (Desmodium canadense)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Taproot</li> <li>2—5 ft. height</li> </ul>	Adapted to moist - dry open sites and all soil textures
Wild Rye, Canada (Elymus candensis)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial bunchgrass</li> <li>2 1/2 - 6 ft. height</li> <li>Good wildlife food and cover</li> <li>FACU+</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Suited to dry-moist sites with full sun or partial shade</li> <li>Seed in mixes at 5 lbs/acre</li> </ul>
Wild Rye, Riverbank (Elymus riparius)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial bunchgrass</li> <li>3 - 5 ft. height</li> <li>FACW</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Suited to moist to wet sites with partial shade</li> <li>Tolerates flooding</li> </ul>
Wild Rye, Virginia (Elymus virginicus)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial bunchgrass</li> <li>4—5 ft. height</li> <li>Good wildlife food and cover</li> <li>FACW-</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Suited to wet sites but can tolerate drought. Can tolerate shade.</li> <li>Good initial grass for seeding newly established wetlands</li> </ul>
Wood Reed, Stout (Cinna arundinacea)	<ul> <li>Native to Massachusetts</li> <li>Perennial</li> <li>5 ft. height</li> <li>FACW</li> <li>Cool Season</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adapted to interior woodland and woodland borders</li> <li>Tolerant of shade</li> </ul>

## TABLE 2 NOTES:

Wetland Plant Indicator Categories:

Abbreviation	Indicator Category	Description	Probability of Occurance
OBL	Obligate Wetland	Occur almost always under natural conditions in wetlands	> 99%
FACW	Facultative Wetland	Usually occur in wetlands, but occasionally found in nonwetlands	67% - 99%
FAC	Facultative	Equally likely to occur in wetlands Or nonwetlands.	34% - 66%
FACU	Facultative Upland	Usually occur in nonwetlands, but occasionally found in wetlands	1% - 33%
UPL	Obligate Upland	Occur in wetlands in another region, but occur almost always under natural conditions in nonwetlands here.	> 99%

(A positive (+) or negative (-) sign is used to indicate more or less regional frequency of occurrence in wetlands.)